

How Much Trash Did We Throw Out?

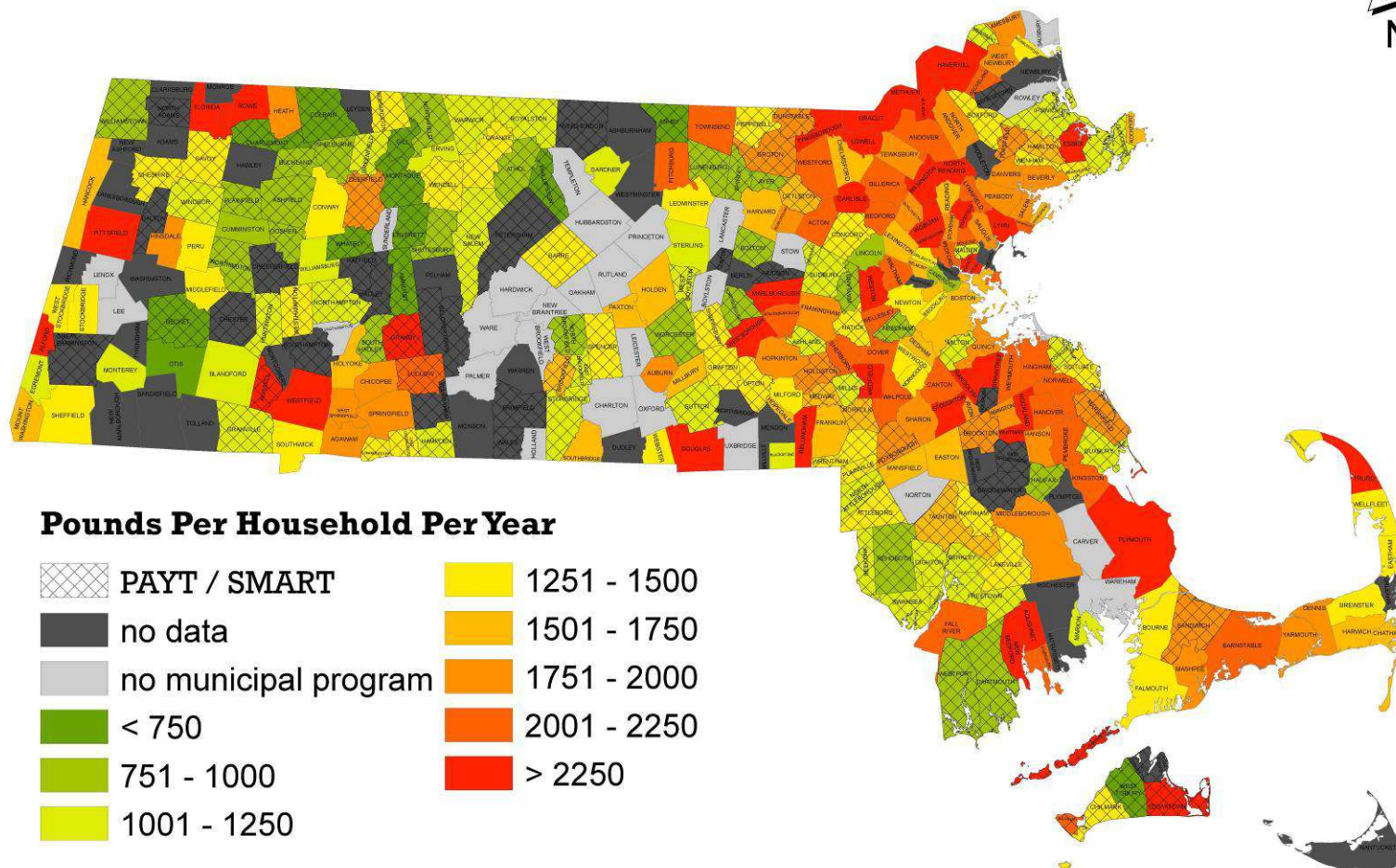
The maps on the following pages show average pounds of trash disposed per year per household in Massachusetts communities served by municipal collection programs for calendar years 2011 through 2015.

Data was provided by the municipal officials who completed each community's Annual Recycling and Solid Waste Survey. In some cases, data was collected by MassDEP Municipal Assistance Coordinators.

Average annual pounds of trash disposed per household per year ranges from less than 750 pounds to more than 2,250 pounds disposed per year. The lowest of these numbers displays as green on the maps and the highest as red, with a range of colors in between.

Communities with Pay-As-You-Throw (PAYT)/Save-Money-And-Reduce-Trash (SMART) are shaded in hatch marks. These cities and towns fall consistently in the green to yellow range, showing a clear correlation between PAYT/SMART programs and less waste.

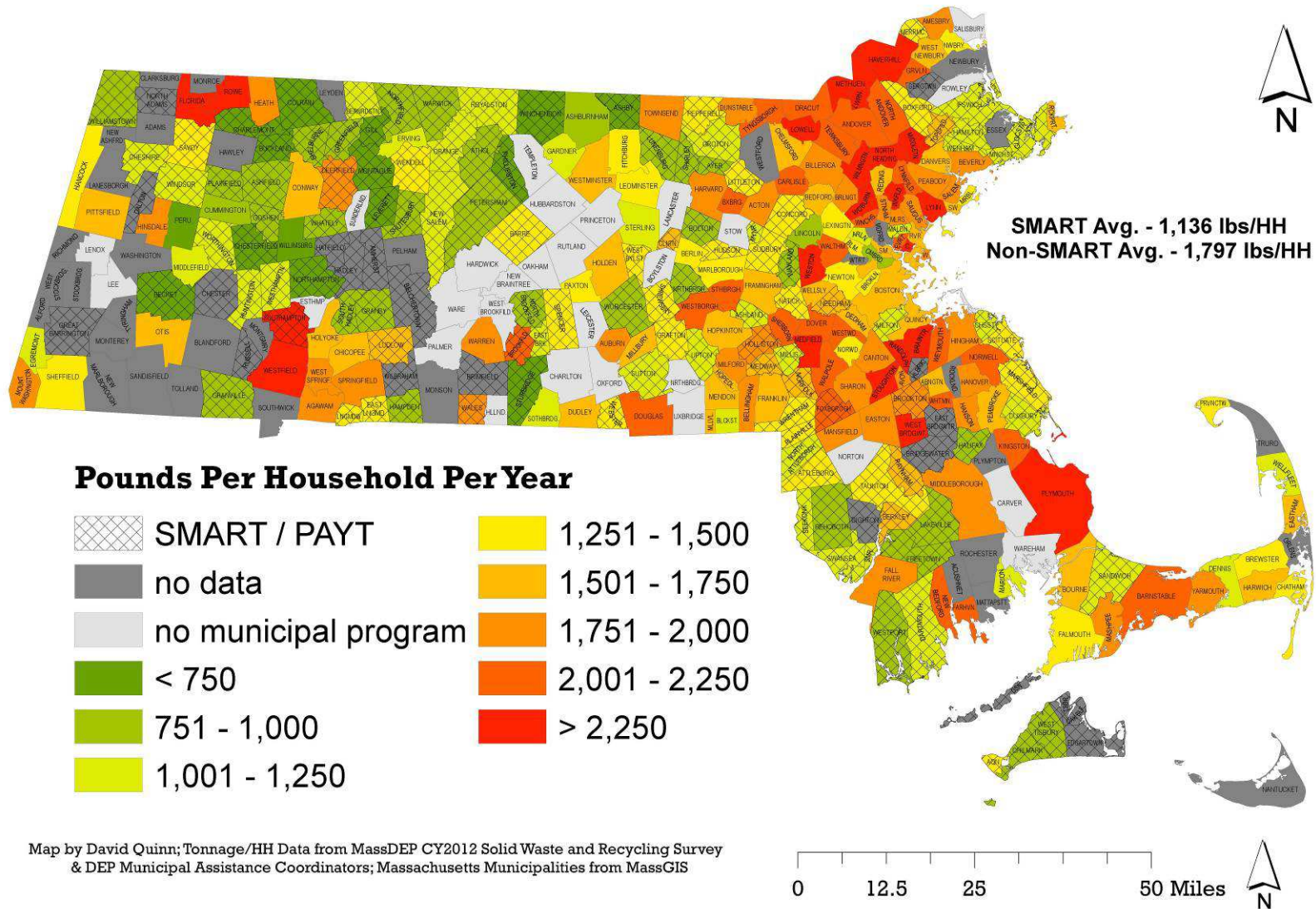
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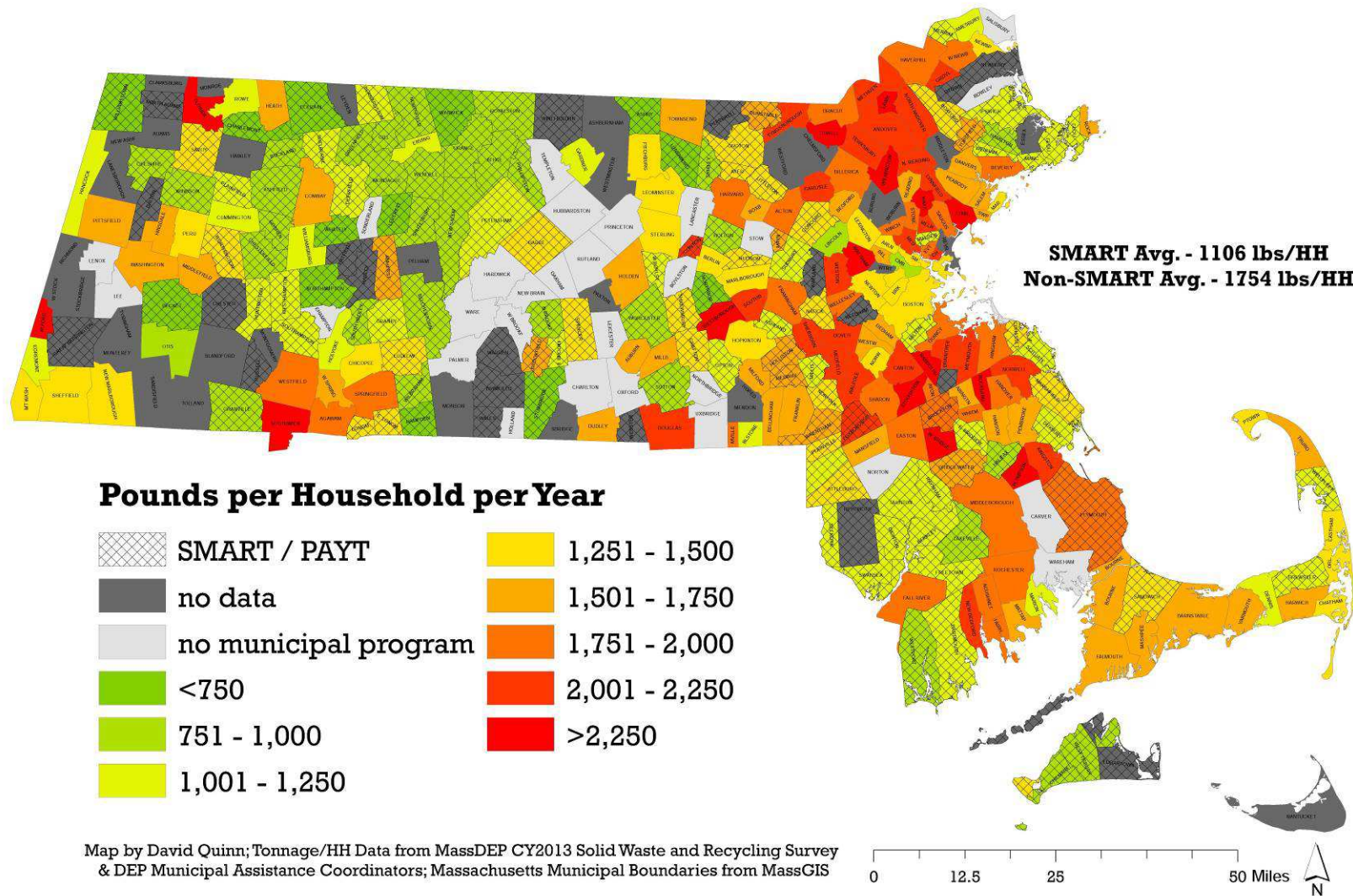
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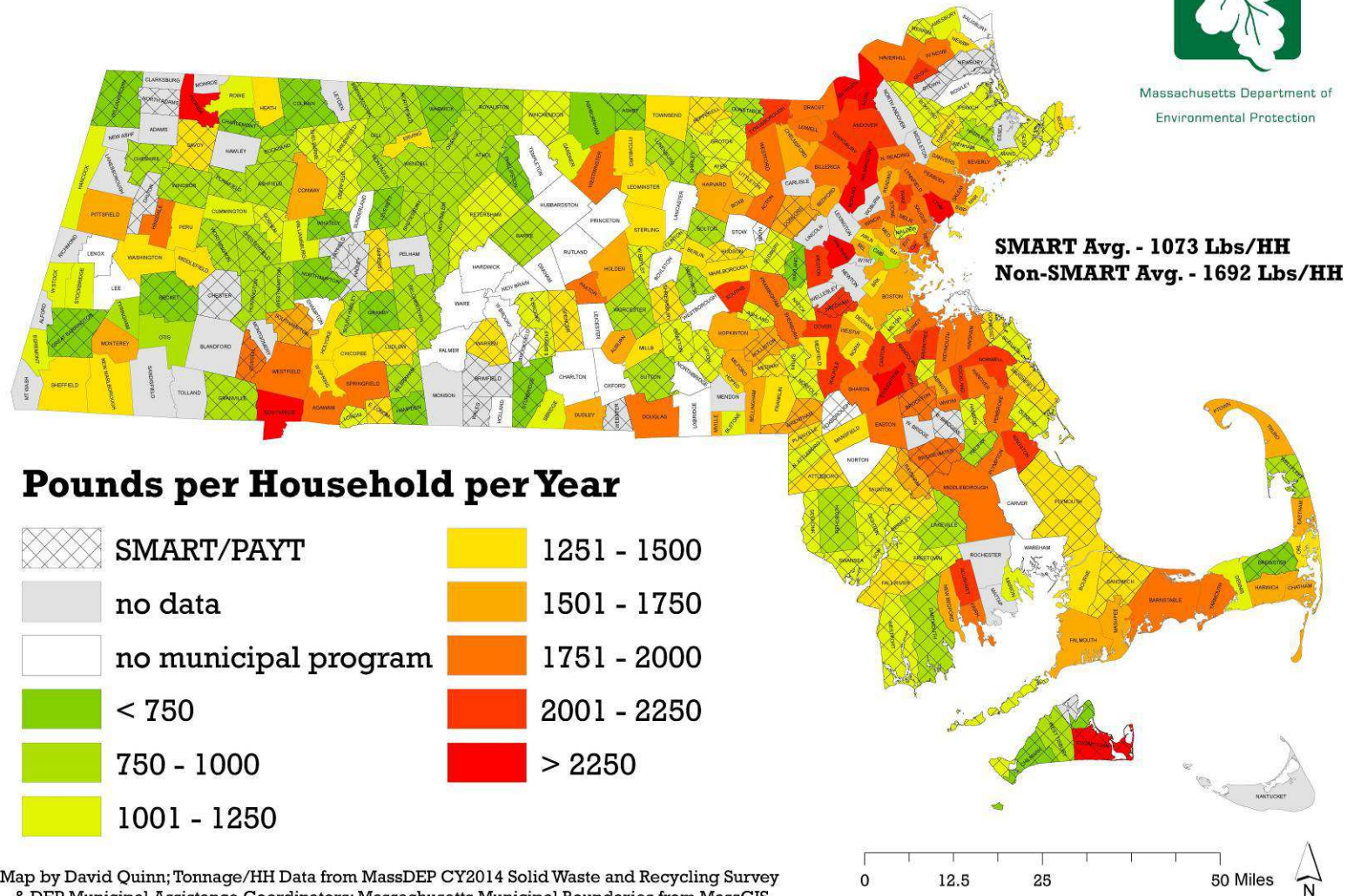
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How Much Trash Did We Throw Out in 2015?

